

# AUSTRALIAN FEDERATED UNION OF LOCOMOTIVE EMPLOYEES

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Ref: Coal South DOO  
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## AFULE Coal South DOO Dispute

Dear members,

The AFULE have notified the company that we are in dispute regarding a planned upcoming Driver Only Operations (DOO) risk assessment.

There are specific clauses held within your Enterprise Agreement that deals with obligations the company must adhere to when commencing formal discussions in relation to DOO. (Clause 55.1 - 55.4)

The company are seemingly attempting to jump the requirement to establish an implementation committee including local and state employee representatives.

Implementing new or extending existing DOO boundaries cannot be a tick and flick exercise. As a result of our dispute notice sent today, we are seeking immediate discussions with Aurizon and an implementation committee be formed to ensure Traincrew and their union have a voice. We must also be provided with an opportunity to make submissions to the Office of the National Rail Safety Regulator in relation to any DOO application with full knowledge of all the proposed details and controls.

I will provide an update once the response from the company is received this week.

In Solidarity,

Mick McKittrick,  
State Secretary

**Traincrew representing Traincrew**